GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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HELICOPTER SERVICE BETWEEN MUMBAI AIRPORT AND CITY CENTRE
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to start a helicopter service in Mumbai between Chhatrapati Shivaji airport and the city;

(b) if so, whether the consent of the residents over noise pollution has been obtained; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a):- Pawan Hans Helicopters Limited, a Public Sector Undertaking under the Government of India, has a plan to introduce helicopter services between Chhatrapati Shivaji airport and the City Centre near Nariman Point in Mumbai.

(b) and (c):- Discussions were held recently with some of the representatives of the Cuffe Parade Residents Association to resolve the matter amicably. However, the residents have not yet given their consent over noise pollution.